

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Kenji WATANABE et al.**

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For: **MAPPING-PROJECTION-TYPE ELECTRON BEAM APPARATUS
FOR INSPECTING SAMPLE BY USING ELECTRONS EMITTED
FROM THE SAMPLE**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.